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Multi-vehicle collision kills two drivers in Columbia

Howard County police are investigating a multi-vehicle collision that occurred on Route 175 at Route 108 at approximately 12:20 p.m. today and resulted in the deaths of two drivers.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a driver of a 2013 Chrysler 200 was traveling westbound on Route 175, just west of Interstate 95, when it sideswiped a vehicle parked on the shoulder of the road. The driver of the Chrysler continued west on Route 175, sideswiped another vehicle that was stopped at a red light, went through the intersection and struck a 2012 Honda Accord that was making a left turn from eastbound Route 175 onto Route 108.

The driver and sole-occupant of the Chrysler, an adult female, was pronounced dead at Howard County General Hospital. The driver and sole-occupant of the Honda Accord, also an adult female, was pronounced dead at the scene. Both drivers will be identified pending notification of next of kin.

Investigators are looking into the possibility that the driver of the Chrysler may have suffered a medical emergency prior to the incident. Investigation is continuing.

Several roadways in the area remain closed, including Route 175 westbound between Interstate 95 and Rt. 108, Route 108 at Route 175, Route 108 at Old Waterloo Road and Route 108 at Lark Brown Road.

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